

# ITEM 4 Summary of Service Changes

Proposed to Take Effect August 27, 2012

## Line Proposal

- 1 & 2 Run buses every 15 minutes during the afternoon (instead of every 10 minutes). Line 1 schedules have been adjusted to make better connections with other routes at the Transit Center.

- 6 & 11 Connect routes at Storke & Hollister. Detach Lines 23 and 25 from Line 11.

- 23 & 25 Separate Lines 23 and 25 from Line 11.

- 22 Eliminate Line 22.

- 5 Adjust weekend schedules to 75-minute headways.

- 15x Adjust schedules to fill mid-day gap.

## Discussion

- Fare box ridership data indicate that most trips have available capacity. Other routes serving Milpas Street include Lines 14, 20, & 37. Boosters will augment service during commute times, when the capacity of existing buses might otherwise be exceeded.

- Extended trip times will enable buses to stay on schedule.

- Extending Line 11 to Storke & Hollister creates more service through the very high-ridership El Colegio/Storke corridor.

- Interlining Lines 6 & 11 enables us to space the buses more evenly through the main route corridor.

- Ridership data shows that only about 35% of current Line 23 and 25 passengers begin or end their trips beyond Storke & Hollister - most passengers are riding in the route sections between the Camino Real Marketplace and UCSB.

- Care will be taken to create good connections for most trips of the new Lines 23 & 25.

- Line 22 continues to be the poorest-performing route in MTD's system.

- Because Line 5 is connected with Line 22 on weekends, the elimination of Line 22 will affect Line 5 schedules.

- As ridership has grown on Line 15x, continuous service is needed throughout the day. We will add one mid-day trip to the schedule.

